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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4420**
Takaaki HASHIMOTO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004_1399A
Serial No. 10/507,302 : Group Art Unit 1724
Filed September 10, 2004 : Examiner Peter A. Hruskoci
METHOD FOR TREATING : **Mail Stop AF**
WASTE WATER

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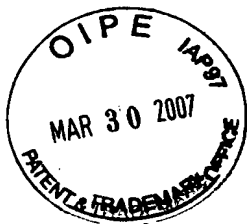
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